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In re Application of :
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Application No.: 10/049,408 :
PCT No.: PCT/US00/22442 :
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For: VIRTUAL DESIGN STUDIO SYSTEM :

DECISION ON
PETITION
UNDER 37 CFR 1.181

The "REQUEST TO REVIVE ABANDONED APPLICATION" filed 07 May 2002 is being treated as a petition under 37 CFR 1.181 to withdraw the Notification of Abandonment (Form PCT/DO/EO/909) mailed 16 April 2002 and is GRANTED as follows:

On 06 February 2002, applicant timely completed all the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 371 for entry into the national stage in the United States with the payment of the U.S. Basic National Fee for a small entity and with the submission of the Declaration of the inventor in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497. Accordingly, the Notification of Abandonment of 16 April 2002 indicating that the "applicant has failed to provide the full U.S. Basic National Fee by 30 months" was mailed in error and is hereby VACATED.

Applicant's claim for priority is acknowledged. This application has an international filing date of **16 August 2000** under 35 U.S.C. 363 and a date of **06 February 2002** under 35 U.S.C. 371(c) and 102(e).

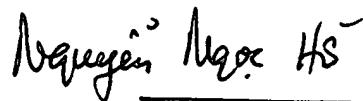
Since this application is the national stage of an international application where the international preliminary examination fee has been paid to the USPTO, the basic national stage fee for a small entity under 37 CFR 1.492(a)(1) is \$355.00 at the time of filing of this application. Since applicant paid \$445.00, the excess amount of \$90.00 will be refunded to applicant by a Treasurer's check.

The application is returned to the United States Designated/Elected Office for processing in accordance with this decision, that is a) for refund of \$90.00 by a Treasurer's

check, and b) for issuance of a Notification of Acceptance (Form PCT/DO/EO/903) and for preparation and mailing of a filing receipt.



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